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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to fully steady instances firm. Demand fairly good. No sales reported. Offerings at present time mixed. Meats and parts trading slow. Supplies adequate for current demand.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand slow. Trading centered on limited volumes of tom drums going to Mexico. Most export regions quiet and showing little interest to purchase.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **MAY 21, 2002**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 21 MAY 2002.

Tom bulk parts trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on drums and 2-joint wings, mostly steady on full-cut wings, tails steady to barely steady, and necks barely steady. Hen bulk parts trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on 2-joint wings, at least steady on full-cut wings, cautiously steady on drums, and steady to barely steady on necks. Demand ranged light to fair and trading was slow with some noting a slowing in market activity in response to the upcoming long holiday weekend. Offerings of tom drums were light to adequate with some buyers noting offerings not as tight as previous weeks. Tom 2-joint wing offerings were generally held with confidence, tom full-cut wings tight to adequate, and tom necks were adequate to fully adequate. Plant grade non-basted 16-18 lb. breasts 94 cents delivered. A few industry members have commented about the red meat and other poultry supplies and their negative impact on the commodity and further processed turkey markets.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	97.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	153.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	91.33	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	26.00-27.00		26.18	17
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	29.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	22.00		22.00	8
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-24.00		23.84	85
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	24.00		24.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00-30.00		29.38	24
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	43.00	20
NECKS, TOM	15.00-17.00		15.66	100
NECKS, HEN	16.00		16.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	125.00		125.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	134.00	40
THIGH MEAT	54.00		54.00	5
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	56.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	89.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	78.00		78.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	124.00		124.00	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	130.00		130.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	55.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-17.00		16.50	80

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	26.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	23.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	29.67	312
TAILS		R	19.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	11.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	52.00		52.00	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	67-72

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 22 MAY 2002.

Tom drums and v-type wings were steady to fully steady with limited offerings. Full cut wings were balanced and steady, tom necks were available with a barely steady undertone. For hen parts, v-type wings were tight and fully steady to firm, about steady on full cut wings, drums and necks. Little activity noted on bulk meats. Fresh and frozen mechanically separated turkey moved at higher trending prices. Fresh wing meat traded at 56 cents delivered. A fair volume of fresh tom drums moved to the border, some at 27 cents and the balance at open prices.

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NECKS, TOM		T	15.66	100
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BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	125.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	134.00	40
THIGH MEAT		T	54.00	5
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WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	55.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00		14.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00		16.00	48

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 05/22/02

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

SEASON	HEAVY	ACCUMULATED	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2001-2002	-	380,874	381,174
2000-2001	28,475	378,800	379,050